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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

amendment(s). a. X Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. i. X Consider the arguments in the Amendment After Final Action previously filed on July 12, 2005 ii. Other b. Enclosed i. Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other 2. Miscellaneous a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) b. Other 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. i. X RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) (\$790.00) ii. X Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) (\$450.00)
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